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3. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) A program guiding method in which a program list for channels is displayed in response to a program guide command, the method comprising:

- acquiring program guide information of accessible channels being broadcast in response to the program guide command, wherein the program guide information is acquired according to a prioritized or preferential channel search;
- storing the acquired program guide information;
- writing a program list on the basis of the stored program guide information; and
- displaying the written program list to a user in response to the program guide command.

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6. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) The program guiding method as claimed in claim 3, wherein said acquiring the program guide information includes:

- writing and displaying a program list including the program guide information of channels tuned before a program guide command is executed, from the stored program guide information, and
- acquiring the program guide information for each channel by searching for the accessible channels in a background operation while the program list is referred to.

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16. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) The program guiding method as claimed in claim 12, wherein said acquiring the guide information comprises searching channels upward or downward from the channel tuned before the program guide command is executed.

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17. (TWICE AMENDED) The program guiding method as claimed in claim 12, further comprising writing a probability distribution of tuned channels, and wherein the channels are searched for in the order of priority according to the probability distribution of channels.

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18. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) The program guiding method as claimed in claim 12, wherein said displaying the written program list comprises

- displaying a message indicating a status of program guide information in response to the program guide information of a corresponding channel not being stored, and
- displaying the program guide information of a corresponding channel in response to acquiring the program guide information of channels tuned before the program guide command is executed being acquired in said acquiring the program guide information.

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28. (THREE TIMES AMENDED) An apparatus comprising:
means for detecting program guide information being broadcast corresponding to
channels in relation to a tuned channel; and
means for searching for accessible channels of the channels having corresponding other
program guide information based upon a command received, the detected program guide
information, and a relation to the tuned channel.